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Sir :

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. 1.56, 1.97, and 1.98, Applicants submit the following information for the Examiner's consideration.

U.S. Patent No. 4,449,039

U.S. Patent No. 4,733,056

U.S. Patent No. 4,804,823

U.S. Patent No. 5,151,871

U.S. Patent No. 5,233,166

U.S. Patent No. 5,252,809

U.S. Patent No. 5,331,134

U.S. Patent No. 5,566,043

U.S. Patent No. 5,643,483

U.S. Patent No. 5,668,524

U.S. Patent No. 5,766,363

U.S. Patent No. 5,904,872

U.S. Patent No. 6,080,970

U.S. Patent No. 6,133,557

Patent Abstracts of Japan (Abstract of Publication No. 08273815A, published October 18, 1996), which is a family member of JP 8-273815.

Patent Abstracts of Japan (Abstract of Publication No. 08273814A, published October 18, 1996), which is a family member of JP 8-273814.

Patent Abstracts of Japan (Abstract of Publication No. 06051658A, published February 25, 1994), which is a family member of JP 6-51658.

Patent Abstracts of Japan (Abstract of Publication No. 04300249A, published October 25, 1992), which is a family member of JP 4-300249.

Japanese Patent Laid-Open No. 58-61591, Laid open April 12, 1983 (Abstract)

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JP 4-324276, accompanied by an English language abstract

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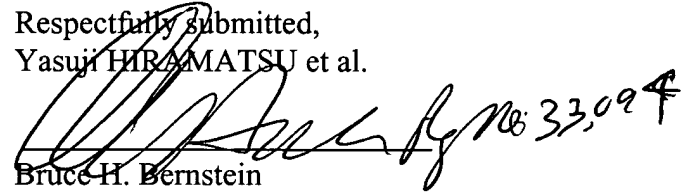
WO 00/76273 and its national stage U.S. Application No. 09/462,067

Copies of the above-noted documents are enclosed together with a duly completed Form PTO-1449 which list the documents except for the U.S. application which is not a publication. The Examiner is accordingly requested to consider each of these documents, and to make them of record in this application by initialing in the appropriate spaces on the Form PTO-1449. Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner include a copy of the initialed Form PTO-1449 with the next communication from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.

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Should there be any questions or comments regarding this matter, the Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned at (703) 716-1191.

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